The strength of the Representative Assembly should not be reduced.

M. D. S. Mallappa.—It does not appear that the Reforms proposed give higher power or status to the Representative Assembly. The Reforms are not satisfactory. The opinion of the Assembly should be binding on Government. The work of the Assembly for the last 40 years has entitled it to this power.

There is no necessity for the election of members from the District Boards. The system of direct election recommended by the Committee is all right.

As the property qualification of voters is reduced and there will thus be more voters, the strength of the Representative Assembly should not be reduced and must be kept at the present strength. There will be no opportunity of representation to all communities if the number is reduced. The existing rules governing the deputation of representatives from Associations may be continued and there should be representatives from all communities. Nominations should be done away with.

The Legislative Council should not be given higher power It should be subordinate to the Representative Assembly and more weight should be given to the decisions of the Representative Assembly.

Mr. H. Krishnappa.—In the terms of reference relating to the Representative Assembly there is no reference to the system of nomination. It was in regard to the Legislative Council that such a reference was made. There should therefore be no nomination in the Representative Assembly. The announcement did not require any alteration in the character of the Representative Assembly. As recommended by the Committee this will be a mixed body.

There is no necessity for a Legislative Council. A body of 30 may be elected from the Representative Assembly for framing laws All legislative measures should go before the Representative Assembly.

Summary of Representation.—Representative Assembly Subjects should be disposed of as early as possible within the year in which they are taken up.

Note.—Discussed with the previous subject.

SUBJECT No 75.

Early disposal of Dasara Representative Assembly Subjects.

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